Town of Shrewsbury

Park & Cemetery Commission Meeting

June 14, 2004

Present: Chairman Bowles, Commissioner Zecco, Commissioner Bisceglia and Director Angela Snell. Meeting called to order at 7:00 P.M. Minutes from previous meeting were accepted. Bill Schedules and payrolls reviewed.

Cemetery: Old Business

Nothing to report.

Cemetery: New Business

Letter from DeFalco family regarding damage to monument and bushes that were destroyed during a burial in January 2004. Director Snell got quotes from monument companies and will schedule repairs for monument and bushes will be replaced. Director Snell to get back to DeFalco family.

Letter of appreciation from Town Manager regarding Memorial Day. So noted.

Letter from Gregoria Fede regarding lot purchase. Commissioners agree, more information is needed. Director Snell to follow up.

DiLeo family with request to donate tree. Commissioners agree to donation and will have final say as to type of tree and location. Director Snell to get back to DiLeo family.

Letter from Joan Jefts to have father disintered. (Section Q Lot 23) Commissioners approve request and Director Snell to follow up with family as to what paper work is necessary.

Letter from Erva Berg, Section J lots 27-28 with request concerning condition of her lot. Cemetery staff has corrected fill problem.

Parks Old Business

Nothing to report.

Parks New Business

7:00 meeting with Barbara Donahue and abutters of Dean Park regarding fountain at Dean Park. Mrs. Donahue gave presentation on fountain along with music and lights. Mrs. Donahue requesting music one night per week from dusk to dark, approximately 50 minutes. Commissioners to take music under advisement and will get back to Donahue family.

Comments from residents were:

- Concern over additional parking during the music
- Concern about cars pulling over on Main Street to see the lights and water of fountains.
- Park has baseball every night May though July, concern over when to schedule during baseball season.
- Concern about having it schedule weekly.
- Resident stated it would be a nice place for kids to go at night.

Additional request from Donahue family regarding memorial bench with a side black monument. Commissioners also to take under advisement and will get back to Donahue family.

Discussion regarding vandalism at Dean Park on week-ends. Director Snell to speak with Police Dept regarding patrolling area more often.

Up-date of Corazzini Boat Ramp renovation. Ramp is expected to be closed intermittingly during the next few weeks as construction begins. Public Access will keep ramp operating during holiday weekend and will then be closed intermittingly until project is completed.

Report from Director Snell regarding Open House at Donahue Rowing Center for Learn to Row. Two hundred plus people turned out for the event.

Ireta Road resident with complaint of trees on Parks property that are hanging onto his property and overgrown. Commissioner Zecco and Director to look at area. Commissioners agree that no trees will be cut down and pruning can be done.

Director Snell reports that summer registration is nearly complete and staff is in place.

Discussion regarding admission charge for Babe Ruth tournament at Dean Park.

Letter to Chief of Police with concerns regarding illegal parking on Dean Park roadways. Commissioners request assistance in patrolling area and ticketing to be issued to cars that are parked illegally. A letter to Little League with a reminder to use the upper parking lot off of School Street.

Board members of Prospect Park Walking Trails with request to paint pergola. Commissioners approve request. Also request to have sign made. Commissioners agree that they will have input on sign design.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:30 P.M. Next Meeting will be Monday, July 12, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean C. Giles, Clerk